

## **19-699 Special School Districts**

The Special School Districts is an educational service agency (R.S. 17:1943) administered by the Louisiana Department of Education with the approval of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) serving in the capacity of the governing authority.

The mission of the Special School Districts is to provide special education and related services for eligible children with exceptionalities who are enrolled in state-operated mental health facilities (R.S. 17:1951), and to provide educational services to children in privately owned juvenile correctional facilities (R.S. 17:1987).

The goal of the Special School Districts is to ensure that eligible students will receive instruction and services to enable them to participate in meaningful life activities.

The Special School Districts has three programs: Administration and two Instruction (SSD#1 and SSD#2).

BESE has also directed that the Louisiana School for the Deaf, the Louisiana School for the Visually Impaired, and the Louisiana Special Education Center report administratively through the State Director of the Special School Districts. Increases in number of staff, number of students, and funding levels are due to increases in the population of eligible students who reside in state operated juvenile correctional facilities, and the addition of duties related to privately operated juvenile correctional facilities.

# BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 1999 - 2000	ACT 11 2000 - 2001	EXISTING 2000 - 2001	CONTINUATION 2001 - 2002	RECOMMENDED 2001 - 2002	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$12,592,069	\$16,128,952	\$16,128,952	\$16,275,921	\$16,511,169	\$382,217
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	5,132,926	4,627,255	4,627,255	4,702,037	4,989,677	362,422
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING</b>	<b>\$17,724,995</b>	<b>\$20,756,207</b>	<b>\$20,756,207</b>	<b>\$20,977,958</b>	<b>\$21,500,846</b>	<b>\$744,639</b>
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration	\$864,865	\$1,156,123	\$1,156,123	\$1,241,693	\$1,239,974	\$83,851
Instruction - SSD #1	13,119,064	14,356,896	14,626,896	15,021,135	15,175,563	548,667
Instruction - SSD #2	3,741,066	5,243,188	4,973,188	4,715,130	5,085,309	112,121
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST</b>	<b>\$17,724,995</b>	<b>\$20,756,207</b>	<b>\$20,756,207</b>	<b>\$20,977,958</b>	<b>\$21,500,846</b>	<b>\$744,639</b>
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENTS: Classified	135	30	30	30	30	0
Unclassified	274	388	374	374	374	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>0</b>

This agency's recommended appropriation does not include any funds for short-term debt.

This agency does not have any long-term debt for Fiscal Year 2001-2002.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana

State General Fund (Direct)	\$ 775,755
State General Fund by:	
Interagency Transfers	194,811
Total	\$970,566